POST SIGNAL OFFICE FORT HUACHUCA, ARIZONA

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Dear Chuck:

Thanks for your most enlighting letter of the 19th concerning the future of Huachuca. It appears the Signal Corps was a day late and a dollar short. On the serious side it does appear that we were just about two weeks late.

Here's the picture from here. I can and will see the Governor en Monday or Tuesday of next week. Also I will see the boys that push both the Democratic and Republican buttons in these parts. I question one thing, the timing. How will it fit in with plans being made by General Back and General O'Connell. I'll do all I can except get in bad with them. In rereading your fourth paragraph, I've tried to see "General O'Connell and General Willis are aware of this letter and have not said no". This whole thing is rather on the warm side. I know I can present the case to people who will do their, best to swing it and again the question of timing comes up. How about giving me a call as soon as you get this and first say go ahead or hold it up?

I've asked for leave effective next Monday and will go up Monday A.M. early. I should be in Phoenix at noon. Call me here and they can locate me in short order. I'll leave some phone numbers so I can call you back hubba, hubba.

We are in the process of getting the post ready to close up. We have set 15 July 53 as the date and I feel sure we'll make it without too much strain. It's going to be difficult however, because W. O. Funk and Captain Duke are on orders for FEG, leaving only Captain Richards. I'm sure our property and accounts are in superior condition, that leaves very little else to worry about.

Talked to Colonel Cooper yesterday and he told me I was stated for overseas in July or August. He has been lending both hands in an attempt to get me the Asmara assignment or a similar one in about the same latitude. If you can do anything to further this course I would be greatful.

Certainly wish you could be here. We are enjoying the most perfect weather in the world. The trees have blossomed and it's really grand up in the canyons.

Sincerely,